IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/809,207 Examiner: Pannala, Filed: March 25, 2004 Sathyanaraya R. Inventors: Group/Art Unit: 2164 John A. Muth Atty. Dkt. No: 5760-19800 Thomas W. Lanzatella Title: **Expiration of Access** Tokens for Quiescing a Distributed System

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF OCTOBER 2, 2007

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of October 2, 2007, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.